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Hoover Was Most Wanted

J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director of the FBI, who will be 71 years old on January 1, has no thought of retirement.

He made this statement at a party last night sponsored by publishers William Morrow and Company, Inc. The small gathering was held in honor of both Hoover and Andrew Tully, author of a new book called "The FBI's Most Famous Cases." It includes an introduction and comments by Hoover, himself.

"I don't even think about retirement," said the man whose bulldog face has long been the symbol of the FBI in the public mind. "After all," he added, "the thought is father of the wish."

Hoover, unlike most public servants, has some choice in the matter of retirement. Last year, President Johnson waived mandatory retirement at 70 for him adding that "The Nation cannot afford to lose you."

Hoover, who looks fit, could probably live on as director of the FBI for a long, long time.

But, to make doubly sure of their chief's longevity, FBI agents, with a fine tooth comb, quietly went over Room 1207 at the Madison Hotel before their boss ar-

rived. They didn't frisk anyone, however, not even a lady guest who brought a large, suspicious looking handbag to the party.

TRIPLE INSURANCE for the evening came in the guise of Vice Adm. William F. Raborn, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. Shaking the hand of J.

Edgar Hoover, Adm. Raborn remarked that he had just received a report from the Dominican Republic that showed how close was the cooperation between the FBI and the CIA in that area.

Hoover smiled affably and replied: "Yes, I know, I have the same report on my desk."